

# Exhibit 56



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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 MR. SMITH: I did want to talk to you before  
3 you left town, and I can do that now or can do it, say,  
4 8:30 in the morning. But my day tomorrow is pretty  
5 hectic until late in the afternoon and I remembered --  
6 I thought I remembered you saying you were actually  
7 leaving tomorrow night.

8 MS. STRICKLAND: Right. Yeah. That's right.

9 Well, yeah. I mean, why don't -- why don't you  
10 give me a sense of kind of what the -- what's going on  
11 or what you wanted to talk about?

12 MR. SMITH: Okay. Well, I -- I want to start  
13 working on the areas that I think we've -- we have some  
14 common agreement. And then, let you know where this  
15 would need to -- the terms, where they would need to  
16 fall from Tony's standpoint.

17 MS. STRICKLAND: Mm-hmm.

18 MR. SMITH: And again, I told you, I -- I -- I  
19 get the clear sense that -- that Tony wants to resolve  
20 this, put it behind you [inaudible]. Value -- she  
21 thinks you're a good employee and he wants to -- to  
22 keep you, which are all good things. I -- he's very

1       seriousness with which he was, you know, taking the  
2       situation before.

3               MR. SMITH: Again -- and I understand that,  
4       Caryn. And -- and having talked to Tony now, you know,  
5       I -- I -- I -- I can't offer the whys, but I can tell  
6       you that, you know, he takes this very seriously and,  
7       you know, I truly believe he wants to work this out and  
8       he -- he wants to keep you.

9               Look, you know, he's talked about how he  
10       didn't hire you, but he was consulted and how impressed  
11       he was with your resume. I mean, these are gratuitous  
12       comments I did not draw -- draw out of him.

13              And you know, maybe just a different  
14       generation doesn't recognize things like they should in  
15       today's world, and -- and we talked a little bit about  
16       that before. And doesn't make it right, but I -- I  
17       don't think his heart was -- was necessarily in a bad  
18       place.

19       But again, I'm not -- my concern isn't there; my  
20       concern is where we are now. And -- and where he is now  
21       is he wants to resolve it.

22              And we got to figure out a way for everybody